# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES STATE OF WISCONSIN

F-01922 (11/2017)

# **OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

Instructions: F-01922A

Name of Governmental Body: Governor's Autism Council			Attending: In Person or By Phone:
Date: 2/08/2018	Time Started: 10:00 a.m.	Time Ended: 12:00 Noon	Nissan Bar-Lev (Council Member); Wendy Coomer (Council Member); Vivian Hazell (Council Member); Pam Lano (Council Member); Roberta Mayo (Council Member); Dr. Becky Thompson (For Glen Sallows-Council Member); Deb Rathermel (DHS); Andrea Jacobson (DHS); Nancy Bills (DHS); Sam Ninnemann (DHS); Kelsey Mueller (DHS); Molly Kloehn (DHS); Pam Appleby (DHS); Julie Quigley (Autism Society of Southeast Wisconsin); Laura Clark (BCBA); Matt Doll (Beyond Boundaries of Autism)
Location: Department of Health Services Building, 1 West Wilson Street, Conference Room 630, Madison, WI			Presiding Officer: Andrea Jacobson, Section Chief, Bureau of Children's Long Term Support Services, Department of Health Services

**Minutes** 

#### **Welcome and Introductions:**

• Individual introductions of Council members; DHS staff and general public.

#### **Public Comments:**

- Matt Doll (Beyond Boundaries of Autism) shared recent plans to reduce services for autism treatment from their organization due to challenges with the service rates and staffing.
- Julie Quigley (Autism Society of South East Wisconsin) stated her support for a safety fair training for 50 police officers. Ms. Quigley also voice concerns mentioned that families are having a hard time finding a treatment provider.

## **Operational:**

- Changing agenda order to accommodate time limitations for speakers
- Nissan Bar-Lev will present his review on DPI Data at the next meeting
- Wendy Coomer will present Safety Committee update at next meeting
- Pam Appleby will be presenting the Bureau of Benefits Management Update today
- Michael Williams will be retiring as a member of the Autism Council. The Council appreciates his service.
- No action will be taken on approving past meeting minutes due a lack of a quorum (pending meeting minutes include: February 10, 2017; May 11, 2017; November 9, 2017

### **Bureau of Benefits Management Update: Pam Appleby**

- Reviewed and discussed Handout on Behavioral Treatment Prior Authorization Summary CY 2017
- Updated Council on DPI/DHS guidance to providers on Autism services including the navigation system
- Council member suggests looking into establishing a subcommittee on Telehealth which will be discussed at a future meeting

# Autism Council Scope – Review of Recommendations from DMS: Deb Rathermel, Director, Bureau of Children's Long Term Support Services

- Reviewed and discussed handout of proposed new Autism Council Scope
- Reviewed and discussed handout of Autism Council current membership representation list
- Members shared their suggestions and remarks regarding this document

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Bureau of Children's Long Term Support Services Update: Deb Rathermel, Director, Bureau of Children's Long Term Support Services and Kelsey Mueller (BCLTSS staff)

• Reviewed and discussed handout Bureau of Children's Long Term Support Services Program Access and Benchmark Project

# Adjournment

Next meeting: May 10, 2018, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Department of Health Services, 1 W. Wilson St., Room 630, Madison

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